

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER  
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION  
APRIL 5, 2016 AGENDA**

<p><b>Subject:</b></p> <p>Authorizing the use of eminent domain on the Ellis Stevens Drainage Improvement Project</p> <p><b>Submitted By:</b></p> <p>Public Works Department</p>	<p><b>Action Required:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ordinance ✓ <b>Resolution</b> Approval Information Report</p>	<p><b>Approved By:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Bruce T. Moore City Manager</p>
<p><b>SYNOPSIS</b></p> <p><b>FISCAL IMPACT</b></p> <p><b>RECOMMENDATION</b></p> <p><b>BACKGROUND</b></p>	<p>Authorizes the City Attorney to use eminent domain to complete acquisition of right-of-way, temporary construction easements and land for Ellis Stevens Drainage Improvements, Project No. B-4b. <i>This project is in Ward 4.</i></p> <p>Funding for this project is available from 2013 Capital Improvement Bonds for Streets and Drainage as authorized by Resolution No. 13,699, as amended by Resolution 14,269.</p> <p>Approval of the resolution.</p> <p>City Staff is in the process of acquiring land and right-of-way necessary for the construction of the Ellis Stevens Drainage Improvement Project. At this time, acquisition of one (1) easement parcel remains and the owner is deceased. Staff has been unable to locate the heir(s) to the estate and the use of eminent domain may be needed to move the project forward. The project will make replace a deteriorated and failed metal drainage pipe system at the intersection of Ellis and Stevens with new pipe and inlets.</p>	